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1. The public security bureaus in Kwangsi are directly responsible for security in the towns; and in rural localities, the chairman of the local farmers union is responsible to the nearest public security bureau for security in his area.
2. Railway stations and installations are guarded by the Railway Public Security Department.
3. All public security personnel, including railway police, wear the same uniform as the regular troops except that the collar is light blue and has on it four characters meaning people's police.
4. Traveling traders are issued a permit valid for one year which allows them to move freely throughout China, and they are subject to occasional checks on the validity of their journeys.<sup>2</sup> All other private persons who wish to travel must first obtain a permit from either the farmers union or a public security bureau. It is not possible to buy a railway ticket without such a permit, and there are check points on all important roads. Travelers are sometimes very thoroughly searched, while at other times a merely cursory examination is made of their documents. Residents of all hotels are subject to frequent checks of documents by security police. These checks are usually made at night.
5. There are no restrictions on postal facilities. Stamps are bought at the Post Office and letters posted in the ordinary way. It is not necessary to put the name and address of the sender on the envelope. Although there does not seem to be very strict censorship of mails, residents of Nanning believe that a certain number of letters are opened and if anything in the text arouses the suspicion of the censor, the letter is burned.<sup>3</sup>

1. [ ] Comment. [ ] as of early October 1951 traveling merchants must carry a Traveling Merchant's Identity Card as proof of identity, but special permits were no longer required.

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2. [ ] Comment. According to [ ] it is not necessary 25X1  
to have a travel permit to travel within China. A traveler must carry the  
Residence Registration Record as proof of identity. However, [ ] 25X1  
reported that a person planning to travel to Chekiang is required by  
Chekiang authorities to obtain a travel permit at his point of departure.

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3. [ ] Comment. [ ] mail is censored in Ninghai.

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